

PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 01-661-A)**

In re Application of:)	
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Chad A. Mirkin, et al.)	Examiner: T. Strzelecka
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Serial No. 10/034,451)	Group Art Unit: 1637
)	
Filed: December 28, 2001)	Confirmation No. 9317
)	
For: NON-ALLOYING CORE)	
SHELL NANOPARTICLES)	

**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
MAILED FEBRUARY 6, 2006**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 6, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as shown below.

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